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## **The Four Rivers Charter Public School Welcomes Supporters and Friends to Celebrate Campus Completion**

AMHERST, MA – USDA Rural Development State Director, David Tuttle will join Four Rivers Charter Public School Administrators, faculty, and friends on Saturday, January 7, 2006 to celebrate the completion of the school's new high school building which was purchased with a \$2.875 million direct loan from USDA Rural Development.

The school is hosting this event to recognize and say "thank you" to the many people who have helped the school complete its unique and valuable campus, setting the stage for Four Rivers' final growth to its chartered capacity. Speakers will reflect upon the mission of the school and how this campus has become a vehicle for its fulfillment. The public is welcome, although no enrollment related information or activities will occur.

In September, 2004 USDA Rural Development provided the Four Rivers Charter Public School with an initial \$2 million loan for the purchase of the facilities and property on which the school is located.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for all rural Americans. USDA Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. In Fiscal Year 2005, USDA Rural Development provided over \$58.5 million in assistance to Massachusetts' rural communities and families.

### **PHOTO/VIDEO OPPORTUNITY**

**WHO:** Administrators and Faculty of Four Rivers Charter School  
USDA Rural Development State Director, David Tuttle

**WHAT:** Campus Completion Celebration

**WHERE:** 248 Colrain Rd.  
Greenfield, MA

**WHEN:** Saturday, January 7, 2006  
10:30 AM

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